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SUBJ: KEY ISSUES AT 28TH UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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1. FONOFF'S FOREIGN POLICY DIRECTOR BARREIRO DISCUSSED INSTRUCTIONS TO URUGUAYAN DELEGATION TO UNGA WITH EMBOFF ON SEPTEMBER 19. IN GENERAL, GOU VIEWS COINCIDE WITH OURS IN MOST CASES. USUN CAN EXPECT URUGUAYAN SUPPORT FOR OUR POSITION ON KOREAN ITEM, CONVENTION ON PROTECTION OF DIPLOMATS, PREVENTION OF ACTS OF TERRORISM, WORLD DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE, NON-USE OF FORCE, NAPALM AND OTHER INCENDIARIES, AFRICAN ISSUES (AT LEAST TO OUR APPROACH TO AFRICAN ISSUES, IF NOT SUPPORT FOR EVERY POINT), FINANCIAL PROBLEMS, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, AND REGIONAL COMMISSION FOR WEST AFRICA.

2. WHILE AGREEING WITH OUR POSITION ON THE MIDDLE EAST (PARA 10, REFTEL), GOU CONVINCED IT UNREALISTIC TO BELIEVE DEBATE CAN BE AVOIDED. URUGUAY WILL NOT, CONFIDENTIAL
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HOWEVER, BE AMONG THOSE WHO MIGHT EXACERBATE ANY MIDDLE EAST DEBATE.

3. GOU CANNOT BE EXPECTED TO SUPPORT US ON ESTABLISHMENT OF HUMAN RIGHTS HIGH COMMISSIONER AND SAHELIAN ZONE DROUGHT RELIEF ALTHOUGH SLIGHT PUSH IN NEW YORK PROBABLY WOULD CONVINCE URUGUAYANS TO ABSTAIN. BARREIRO EXPLAINED THAT GOU OBVIOUSLY NOT OPPOSED TO EITHER STRENGTHENING HUMAN RIGHTS OR TO DROUGHT RELIEF. HOWEVER, GOU LACKS FUNDS TO CONTRIBUTE MORE TO UN, TO DROUGHT VICTIMS OR TO UNRWA, FOR EXAMPLE, AND THUS CANNOT MORALLY VOTE TO APPROVE ANYTHING WHICH WOULD LEAD TO GREATER EXPENDITURES. AS MATTER OF PRINCIPLE, GOU WILL NOT VOTE TO COMMIT OTHERS TO MAKE CONTRIBUTIONS IT CANNOT MAKE ITSELF. IN FACT, GOU SUPPORT FOR US ON UN FINANCIAL PROBLEMS (PARA 13 REFTTEL) BASED IN PART ON THIS SAME MORAL CONCEPT.

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